

WOMAN ROBBED IN FRANKLIN STREET

Knocked Down and Hand-Bag Containing \$25 Stolen.

CERTAIN THUG WAS WHITE MAN

One Bag, in Which the Misses Johnson Carried \$70, Recovered Later on Sidewalk. Two Unknown Men Crept Up Behind and Made Sudden Attack.

Miss N. F. Johnson, of Farmville, a visitor at 201 East Franklin Street, was knocked down and robbed of a handbag containing \$25, as she was on her way from Jefferson and Franklin streets to her apartment at 9:15 o'clock last night, and her two assailants, both white men, she alleges, escaped.

Miss Johnson was accompanied by her sister, Miss A. B. Johnson. They had passed the Jefferson Hotel, and thought themselves secure in spite of the fact that they noticed two young white men coming up behind. But they paid no more than ordinary attention to the men, and continued on their way, without feeling any alarm.

Made Sudden Attack. Always the men behind kept close. Between First and Second Streets, on Franklin Street, Miss N. F. Johnson felt something tugging at the bag which she carried on her right arm, and, turning, she saw the men fighting for possession of it. Both women screamed, and people in neighboring houses rushed out on their front porches. But the robbery was done so quickly that the men escaped before anybody had a chance to catch them. In the struggle Miss Johnson, clinging tightly to her bag, was hurled to the ground, and while she was prostrate, the bag was snatched from her arm. She continued screaming, and for a few seconds in which the thief was tugging at her arm, she fought with all the strength she had. Another bag, containing \$70, fell to the ground, unobserved by the assailants, and they secured only the handbag containing \$25, which she was carrying on her arm.

As men and women rushed out of their homes at the sound of screaming, both assailants ran. One ran north on Third Street, in the direction of Broad, and the other ran down Franklin Street to Second, whence he went in the direction of Main Street. Miss A. B. Johnson pursued the second man, calling loudly the while for help, but he managed to escape.

FOUND OTHER BAG LATER.

The bag containing \$70 was picked up later. But women then returned to the apartments where they were visiting, and the Second Police Station was notified. Captain McMahon and Detective Sergeant Wiley were informed of the hold-up, and both went to work on the case. No further clues were gained last night, and neither of the women was positive whether the men were white or black, though they were inclined to believe that they were white.

That they had been followed several blocks before they noticed the men is generally believed by the police. The assailants were not seen before the Jefferson Hotel was reached, and, as they were well dressed and of good appearance, neither of the Misses Johnson took further notice of them. Occasionally, as they looked back, they saw that the men were keeping pace with them. Near First Street the robbers quickened their steps, and then some alarm was felt. The young women hurried on, and both were unaware of the men's approach until Miss N. F. Johnson felt a tug at her arm.

Police Work in Dark. Police officers called on her later, as soon as they had been notified and found her much excited, but without apparent injury. She begged that the matter be kept quiet.

Neither of the Misses Johnson was able to give any clue by which the robbers could be traced, and detectives and police notified of the case last night worked in the dark.

The hold-up is one of the most daring which has occurred in Richmond in years. During many years this is the first crime of the kind which has occurred on Franklin Street. Major Werner and Captain McMahon stated last night that they were determined, if possible, to land the culprits.

PRECEDENT AGAIN DEFIED

County Magistrate Will Administer Oath to Governor Elect.

Newberry, S. C., December 23.—For the first time since the inauguration of Governor Wade Hampton, and for the second time in the history of the State, a South Carolina Governor will be sworn into office by a county magistrate, when "Squire T. S. Dunbar, of Barnwell, administers the oath to Governor-elect, Cole L. Blease, probably January 17.

General Hampton defied precedent because all the members of the Supreme Court at that time were Republicans.

Personal friendship for "Squire Dunbar is said to be Mr. Blease's reason for the departure.

FOUND MURDERED

Italian Merchant's Head Had Been Crushed With Stone.

Austin, Texas, December 23.—Fredrick Tassanari, a wealthy Italian merchant, was found murdered in his store here to-day. His head was crushed with a stone and was nearly severed from the body. The motive is believed to have been robbery. Three hundred dollars, however, was found in Tassanari's store, and negroes have been arrested on suspicion.

LUCE IS INAUGURATED

Santiago, Chile, December 23.—Ramon Barros Luce was to-day inaugurated President of Chile with the usual ceremonies and before a great concourse. Aragon, the son of a delegation of diplomats and military and naval officers. President Luce was elected on October 15 to succeed President Montt, who died in Europe August 16.

TAKES A TARDY SHOPPER

But He Makes Up for It in Number of His Gifts.

Washington, D. C., December 23.—President Taft finished his Christmas shopping to-day. Matters of state made the President one of the tardy shoppers. Altogether he has devoted three afternoons to the task, which was not a small one by any means. Yesterday, Captain Butt, the President's aide, carried thirty-five of the Chief Magistrate's cards with him, but they were all exhausted before the President was willing to leave the White House, and the captain had to make a hurried trip to the White House in an automobile for more cards to go with the various remembrances.

Mr. Taft is the only President who, more in the sentiment of Christmas giving than in the intrinsic value of the gifts themselves. As a consequence, he does not confine himself to a small coterie of relatives and friends, and his gifts mount up into hundreds.

The President is very fond of giving books, and much of his shopping time has been spent in rummaging the shelves of the bookshelves. In each book he gives he writes a suitable sentiment on the fly leaf, thus giving the volume something of an historic value. The President is also fond of giving trinkets of jewelry, and always makes his own selections.

Outside of the large circle of relatives and friends, the President gives presents to the various White House clerks. He also presents turkeys to the executive employees of the White House, the executive officers and grounds. There are 102 of these employees, and this item alone requires an outlay of from \$250 to \$400. To the secret service men who are assigned to look after his welfare, the President always gives a personal remembrance.

TO PREVENT INSANITY

Campaign of Education Will Be Waged.

New York, December 23.—The records of American insanity are to be found in the insane asylums, and the crying need of the present day, said Dr. M. Allen Starr to-night, in addressing the Academy of Medicine, "is a realization that we live too fast, that we live too hard; that we strive too intensely; that we feel too keenly. Moderation, not excess, leads to health."

The meeting was called to discuss the prevention of insanity on the theory that many cases now incurable are the result of comparatively trivial causes, which, if they had been wisely foreseen, might have been checked before they became irremediable. Dr. Starr, Warren Ferris, president of the State Lunacy Commission, estimated that almost half the cases of insanity under close observation in the State hospitals are the result of loose living and nervous strain.

Home Folks, secretary of the State Charities Aid Association, emphasized the relation between loose living and insanity, a relation, he said, insufficiently understood, and one which it is planned to make plainer to the layman in a series of lectures. Twenty general distribution. During the last ten years, said Dr. Ferris, while the population of the State has increased 47.5 per cent, the number of insane has increased 103.9 per cent, making a total of 32,659 mentally deranged persons now in the State. Nearly half of these are in the insane hospitals, and the other half are in the homes.

Discussing a plan of campaign, Secretary Starr said that it is much more similar to that employed in the fight against tuberculosis.

WILL RAISE PURITAN

Navy Department Gives Contract to Wrecking Company.

Washington, D. C., December 23.—The monitor Puritan, which was sunk in Chesapeake Bay several weeks ago as a result of experiments with explosive torpedoes, will be raised by the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company at a contract price of \$24,000. A contract was signed with the company to-day by Acting Secretary of the Navy, Beekman Winthrop.

The company agrees to deliver the Puritan to the Norfolk navy yard and in a condition to be handled. In case the company fails to accomplish the task it will receive no payment. A contract was also made with the Hudson Transportation Company, of Norfolk, which named \$23,500 as its price.

After the Puritan has been placed in dock at Norfolk it is estimated that it will cost the government \$145,000 to put the monitor back to sea.

This is merely an estimate, based upon what is believed to be the extent of the damage wrought by the two explosive torpedoes. The cost of the raising of the monitor will be placed at \$25,000, and the cost of the damaged plates, but merely to put the ship in such a shape as will make it available for naval militia use.

HURDY-GURDY ON 'CHANGE

Enthusiastic Brokers Begin Celebrating Referee's Scheduled Time.

New York, December 23.—Christmas enthusiasm bubbled over on the Stock Exchange to-day, and two brokers, unable to wait the beginning of festivities, when the trading "ceased at 3 o'clock, wheeled a hurdy-gurdy on the floor and there cranked out a stentorian melody. The festive activities began at 3 o'clock with a tin horn band concert, led by a broker made up like Bandmaster Sousa.

CHRISTMAS FOR IMMIGRANTS.

New York, December 23.—This was Christmas Day for 2,000 immigrants of Ellis Island, gathered from all the seven seas under the claim of a score of different tongues, the missionaries of the island made it a day long to be remembered. The celebration was held in the big dining-room of the station. Christmas greetings were given in varied languages, and candy, fruit and trinkets were distributed. A patriotic march from the Steppes, while the throng laughed and shouted, while children, thirty downcast men and women were seated on the benches for the steamships which will take them back to Europe. They had been adjudged undesirable by the immigration authorities.

RED CROSS TO AID

Sends \$5,000 to Famine-Stricken People of China.

Washington, D. C., December 23.—For the relief of the famine-stricken people of China, Acting Secretary of State Huntington Wilson to-day called \$5,000 to Minister Calhoun at Pekin, as the initial contribution of the American National Red Cross Society. The disbursement of the money will be left entirely in the hands of the minister and the question of further contributions will depend upon the developments of the situation, which at present is extremely serious and demands immediate attention.

The people affected by the famine are the inhabitants of the Hual River Valley. The number of sufferers continues to grow, and according to advices received by the State Department to-day between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 are in distress.

CIVILIANS KILLED BY INSURRECTOS

Ten, Including One Judge, Are Put to Death.

FEDERAL TROOPS ARE GATHERING

Reinforcements Rushed to Pedernales, Where Navarro Is Surrounded by Insurgents. Railway Tracks Torn Up and Train Is Forced to Return to El Paso.

Chihuahua, December 23.—An American, who has been ten days with the insurrecto forces, returned to-day, bringing news that they recently executed ten civilians hostile to the revolt. Their number includes one judge.

While the revolutionists surround Navarro at Pedernales, his situation, according to this information, is not precarious. He could march out with his force and give battle, but is waiting reinforcements. When he wishes fresh meat he is compelled to send a good fighting force, for small parties are not safe.

A daring squad of four insurrectos rode into this city last night distributing circulars stating that citizens should remain within doors after 5 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, as the rebels intended to enter the city. The warning is not regarded seriously. A patrol of eight soldiers, who fired many shots, drove them from the streets, and they disappeared in the direction of the mountains.

Reinforcements of more than a thousand are now in the city. Government troops which started a week ago from Sonora are reported within two days' march of Guerrero, one of the insurrecto strongholds.

TRAIN TORN UP.

El Paso, Texas, December 23.—The southbound passenger train on the El Paso and Northwestern, which left Ciudad Juarez at 1 o'clock this afternoon found the track torn up at Cuernavaca, seven miles south, and is coming back to El Paso. The train has 150 passengers.

The locomotive and passenger coach which the revolutionists took last night twenty-five miles south of Juarez have not yet been recovered. The wires are down south of Guzman.

Fifty soldiers arrived here this morning from Chihuahua to add to the garrison in Juarez. Soldiers out scouting returned this afternoon, and reported having found a deserted camp of insurrectos near the border.

TRAIN IS LOOTED.

El Paso, Texas, December 23.—After being closed all day the Mexico Northwestern Railroad wire was opened for a short time to-night, and it was learned from this point, that the train was looted by insurrectos Thursday in Guzman Station, and that fully 1,000 armed men were camped there.

The government is stopping before details could be learned. Considerable uneasiness is felt here for Mormon colonies living near Casas Grandes, which is included in the hostile zone.

HUNDREDS PLEAD GUILTY

More Than 200 Arrests for Election Bribery.

Weston, Ohio, December 23.—One hundred additional indictments charging citizens of Adams county with bribery in connection with the special grand jury late to-day, bringing the total of indictments for the day up to 272, and the grand total of indictments returned this week up to 623.

More than 200 arrests have been made, and in every instance the defendant has pleaded guilty. The total of the cases the court has imposed a fine of \$25 and costs and a jail sentence of six months, with the loss of the right to vote for five years. So far as the evidence discloses, the guilt is about equally divided between members of the Republican and Democratic parties. The price for a vote ranged between \$10 and \$20.

VESSEL DYNAMITED

Police Do Not Believe Gasoline Caused Explosion.

Tampa, Fla., December 23.—It developed to-day that three men lost their lives in the explosion aboard schooner Lilly White last night, the submerged body of Richard Russell, the third victim, being found wedged between two broken stanchions near the bow of the boat. Developments lead the police to believe the vessel was dynamited. Suspicion points to several men, including one of the boat's officers. The nature of the damage to the vessel, say the police, disproves the theory that gasoline caused the explosion. Three dynamite caps were handed to Chief of Police Woodward by Captain Cary.

COLONEL COMING SOUTH

He Will Be Guest of New Orleans on March 11.

New Orleans, La., December 23.—Theodore Roosevelt will visit New Orleans March 11. He will remain here one day, then swing westward.

Colonel Roosevelt probably will dedicate the new university field at Tulane. He will be the guest of the New Orleans Progressive Union and will be elaborately entertained.

DANCE ON BATTLESHIP

Rear-Admiral Howard Is Host on the Georgia.

Gravesend, Eng., December 23.—Rear-Admiral Howard and the officers of the fourth division of the United States Atlantic fleet gave a reception and deck dance on board the battleship Georgia to-night. Five hundred guests from London and Gravesend were present. The ship was decorated with emblems of the Yuletide.

RICE GETS SCHOLARSHIP

Baton Rouge, La., December 23.—John A. Rice, of Tulane University, of New Orleans, to-day was awarded the Rhodes scholarship to Oxford, England. Mr. Rice will begin his work next year.

NORTH POLE FAKER MAY BE ARRESTED

Charge Will Be "Obtaining Money Under False Pretense."

COOK, DEFIANT, NOT WORRIED

Discredited Explorer and Self-Confessed Perpetrator of World's Greatest Fake Will Devote Life to Trying to Make People Believe Him.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

New York, December 23.—From a temporary refuge in the house of his brother, William L. Cook, at No. 749 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the self-confessed perpetrator of the greatest fake of modern times, to-day told a reporter over the telephone that he intended to devote his life to convincing the American people that he really thought he discovered the North Pole.

When Dr. Cook arrived last night on the steamship George Washington, he announced that he would go to the Waldorf-Astoria to occupy the same suite of rooms that he had fifteen months ago, after he came back in triumph from Denmark with a lovely story of imaginary achievements.

But it would seem that Cook finds it as hard to tell the truth in small matters as in large ones. Instead of going to the Waldorf, he was tucked away in the home of his brother, in Brooklyn. "There isn't much that I care to say now," said Dr. Cook, answering questions over the wire.

"Are you going to stay in this country?" "Certainly, I am," said the doctor, with a rising inflection. "Most certainly I am. I never had any other intention than to return to my native land. I am an American citizen, entitled to protection under the American flag."

"Are you going on a lecture tour?" "As usual," said the doctor, "I am most of which were spent in exploration. I amassed a great quantity of scientific material. I expect to settle down and prepare that material for use. But my main endeavor will be directed to making my fellow countrymen feel that I was in good faith when I claimed that I had reached the pole, and that I really believed I had attained my object. To that purpose I expect to dedicate myself."

The report flew freely around the city Hall to-day that District Attorney Whitman had secured from the Criminal Court building drawing up papers for Dr. Cook's arrest. The charge, it was said, would be based on Cook's having obtained money during false pretense during his erstwhile and much-heralded lecture trip through the East and West.

When informed of this movement, Cook declared defiantly that he was not worried by such reports.

SOLDIERS OF FORTUNE LEAVE

They Disappear About Time the Hornet Sails.

New Orleans, La., December 23.—Coincident with the departure late yesterday of the steamer Hornet, General Manuel Bonilla, former President of Honduras, General Leizaola, leader of the revolutionary expedition against President Davila, of Honduras, and several Americans have seen their way out of the city.

The Hornet took on arms and ammunition for this port, and it was said that she is planning an attack upon one of the Gulf ports of Honduras, will be reported to the State Department by Honduras, with a request that this country intercept the alleged filibuster.

Yesterday, for unexplained reasons, the long distance telephone between this city and Port Eads, at the mouth of the Mississippi River, ceased talking about the time the Hornet sailed.

DENOUNCES SMITH

Dr. Wilson Declares He Is Violating Pre-Election Assurance.

Princeton, N. J., December 23.—Reiterating a previous statement that if former Senator James Smith, Jr., should be sent to the United States Senate to succeed Senator Charles W. McNamara, he would not go as the representative of the people, but as the representative of particular interests, Governor-elect Wilson, in a statement issued to-day, sharply criticized Smith for seeking to become a candidate for the Senate.

Dr. Wilson declares that Mr. Smith, by now being a candidate, violates an assurance made before the State election that he would not seek the senatorship. The Governor-elect strongly advocates the election of James B. Martin.

ASK MERCY FOR MORSE

His Fellow-Townsmen Make an Appeal to Taft.

Bath, Me., December 23.—A telegram to President Taft, asking for the pardon of Charles W. Morse, the former banker of New York, who is confined in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, and signed by Mayor John S. Hyde and six former Mayors, two members-elect of the Maine Legislature and two former State Senators, was sent to Washington this afternoon. It read as follows:

"All the citizens of this, his home city, are praying for the pardon of Charles W. Morse. Good news at this present season would cause great rejoicing."

THEATRE WALL FALLS

Seventy Laborers Caught and One Is Killed.

Newark, N. J., December 23.—The collapse to-day of a temporary steel structure supporting the roof of an old theatre undergoing reconstruction brought down a large portion of one wall upon seventy laborers working beneath. One man, a Pole, was killed, and two others sustained serious injuries.

Return of North Pole Faker



DR. FREDERICK A. COOK, As he appeared on steamship George Washington after his return from Europe.

SCENE CHANGES TO ONE OF TEARS

Burst of Weeping Takes Place of Laughter and Cheering.

AMAZING COURT DRAMA

"Count" and "Countess" de Gattigny Held Up as Paragons of Honesty and Charity.

Tours, France, December 23.—"An amazing court drama of passion and pathos" is how a local paper to-night sums up the trial of "Count" and "Countess" D'Aulby de Gattigny, who are charged with having swindled the Duchess De Cholsen-Praslin, formerly Mrs. Charles Hamilton Paine, of Boston. This epigram was on to-day's sensational developments at the trial which drew the auditors that the customary scenes of disorder, laughter and cheering changed to a burst of weeping.

Reputable business and professional men of Tours, on the stand at to-day's session, painted D'Aulby and his wife as the incarnation of honesty and charity, declaring that their ministering to the wants of the sick and needy caused them to be loved and esteemed throughout the country. M. Diet, president of the Tours Association of Lawyers, who drew up the contract for the sale of the picture "Annapolis" to the late Mr. Paine, testified that D'Aulby, by insisting on the insertion of a clause in the contract to the effect that he could not guarantee the authenticity of the picture, M. Diet also said that neither D'Aulby nor his wife had any idea of business or of the value of money, of which they received \$12,000 almost every year from Boston. They were passionately fond of music, and lived a happy family life until Mrs. Paine entered in D'Aulby's life, which until then had been irreproachable.

Fire Marshal Horan will be given a public and semi-military funeral. At a special session of the City Council to-day a committee of fifteen was appointed to look after the funeral. The city will pay funeral expenses of all the firemen killed in the disaster, furnish free medical aid to all injured and continue for at least six months the pay of the firemen killed.

Mayor Buehler has taken personal charge of arrangements, and announced to-day he thought the funeral would be on Monday.

Telegrams of sympathy and regret have come from many quarters to-day.

SEARCH IS IN VAIN

No Trace of Aviator Grace Has Been Found.

London, December 23.—With the approach of midnight and no tidings yet of Cecil S. Grace, the intrepid young aviator who disappeared Thursday afternoon while essaying a return cross-channel flight from Calais to Dover in an aeroplane, the belief generally prevalent in London was that the cold North Sea held somewhere on its treacherous breast the story of a tragedy.

Every nook and cranny on shore and in land—where it was thought, perchance, young Grace might have landed, was searched to-day, but unavailingly, and the boats that churned the channels and portions of the North Sea on the lookout for the youth or wreckage of his machine, likewise reported that their search had been in vain.

Grace carried with him petrol sufficient for a flight of about five hours. His biplane was not fitted with pontoons, Grace wore a cork jacket, but in a case of a fall into the water he would have been cumbered by his heavy fuel-filled boots. The general belief is that it would be impossible for the youth to have survived the length of time, and that unless the aviator was rescued by a ship bound for some distant port, there is slender hope that he escaped death in the sea.

TRAINING COMPLETED

Postmasters Ready to Inaugurate Postal Savings Service.

Washington, D. C., December 23.—All is now ready for starting the machinery of the postal savings banks throughout the country on January 1 next. The forty-eight postmasters each representing a State, who have been in Washington acquiring information concerning the management of the postal savings work, have finished their training at Postmaster-General Hitchcock's office and the last of them left for home to-night. All of them are postmasters at second-class offices, each office the most representative one in its State for the try-out in postal banking.

WILL OPEN SCHOOL FOR PILOTS OF AIR

Most Important Step in History of Aviation.

MOISANTS ARE BACKING PLAN

Vast Tract of Land Has Been Leased, and Effort Will Be Made to Have It Centre of All Aviation Interests in the United States.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

New York, December 23.—The most important and significant step in the actual development of aviation in this country will be taken to-morrow, when the certificate incorporating the Hempstead Plains Aviation Company is filed with the Secretary of State in Albany. The work of organizing the company has been quietly in progress since the close of the international aviation tournament at Belmont Park last October. The group of business men behind the enterprise has laid out a plan for the promotion of every phase of aviation, and has ample capital to carry out the undertaking. The company's central point of operations will be an immense tract of land of about 1,000 acres just east of Garden City, where it was planned to hold the 1910 aviation tournament before the limited time for preparation made it necessary to go to Belmont Park.

The company has procured a five-year lease of this tract of land, and preparations for putting it in shape for an immense national aviation field and school are now under way. Several hundred hangars are to be erected as they are required, and the addition of machine shops and laboratories for the use of pupils and experimenters who are entitled to the privilege of the field. In addition to these features there is in contemplation the erection of a large plant for the manufacture of flying machines and their accessories, with a comprehensive equipment of machine shops and laboratories for the use of pupils and experimenters who are entitled to the privilege of the field.

It is not unlikely that the Aero Club of America and the Aeronautic Association, which are the centers of all aviation interests in America and to establish a more extensive and elaborate school and aerodrome than has thus far been attempted elsewhere in the world.

The capital stock of the company is given in the certificate of incorporation, and it is stated that a member of the corporation, that the figure would be increased when the enterprise required it.

THE DIRECTORS.

The directors for the first year, as given in the certificate of incorporation, are: Alfred J. Moisant, John B. Moisant, Allen W. Everts, Charles Stewart Butler and Gage T. Tarbell. It was stated that there are several other business men of New York who are deeply interested in the company as stockholders. Offices will be opened both in New York City and at Hempstead Plains Field.

The Moisant brothers are among the largest stockholders, and the school to be opened in the early spring will be known as the Moisant School of Aviation. During the last week of last week Alfred J. Moisant spent considerable time with the other directors, and stated that he or his brother would return here in a few weeks to assist in determining the final plans for the grounds and buildings. Tentative plans for the school are being made, but final selection will not be made until by a group of aviators and experts retained for that purpose.

It is designed to make the Moisant School the largest institution of the sort in the world. All extensive plans are being made to equip it with every facility for safe and thorough instruction in every branch of flying. Trained instructors from this country and Europe are being engaged, and pupils will be taught to operate every type of machine in existence.

As a field for public contests and exhibitions it will excel any of the famous aerodromes of Europe. The hundreds of acres covered by the lease are almost entirely level, are free from all obstructions and give ample space for a five kilometer course, with smaller courses within the larger one. Movable pylons will be constructed, which may be used in marking any desired course, or for the use of pupils. In addition the field will contain ample room for grandstands, a club-house and hundreds of hangars.

Old Field Abandoned. With the opening of the new Hempstead Plains aviation field the old aviation grounds near Garden City will pass out of existence. The Garden City Company will not renew the lease of the Aero Club of America and the Aeronautic Society, and residences will be erected where the hangars and tents were the centre of attraction for thousands last summer.

The flying machines and the crowds will have moved one mile to the eastward, where the larger and more attractive field will have been established.

In addition to the daily flights by the students of aviation, it is the purpose of the company to hold regular weekly meetings during the season in connection with the school, with an occasional larger event, when aviators from all over the country will be invited to compete for prizes.

As soon as practicable, general information concerning the aviation school will be sent out, and it is expected that several hundred pupils will be at work in the big aerodrome before the end of the coming season.

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